

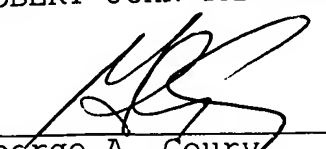
please note that these amendments are to the claims as present in the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report.

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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

3. (Amended) An elongate member according to Claim 1 [or Claim 2], characterised in that the acute angle is between 30° and 60°.

4. (Amended) An elongate member according to [any one of the preceding claims] Claim 1, characterised in that the interconnecting means includes a first plate member fixedly attached to the inner elongate member at an end remote from the base position, and a second plate member fixedly attached to the outer elongate member of an end remote from the article wherein, in use, the first plate member is located adjacent the second plate member.

6. (Amended) An elongate member according to Claim 4 [or Claim 5], characterised in that the interconnecting means includes a fixing means, the fixing means being arranged to releasably engage the first plate member and the second plate member such that, in use, when the first and second plate members are engaged by the fixing means relative rotation of the first and second elongate members is restricted.

8. (Amended) An elongate member according to [any one of Claims 4 to 7] Claim 4, characterised in that the first plate member has at least one aperture, and the second plate member has at least one aperture, and wherein the aperture of the first plate member is adjacent to the aperture of the second plate member when the first elongate portion and the second elongate portion are arranged in a particular position, and wherein the interconnecting means includes a pin member arranged, in use, to locate within the aperture of the first plate and the aperture of the second plate and thus restrict relative rotation of the inner elongate member and the outer elongate member.

10. (Amended) An elongate member according to [any one of the preceding Claims] Claim 1, characterised in that the interconnecting means includes a cylindrical portion arranged to be coaxial with the axis of rotation, and wherein the cylindrical portion extends from one of the inner and outer elongate portions and wherein the other of the inner and outer portions includes an aperture arranged to receive the cylindrical portion.

11. (Amended) An elongate member according to [any one of the preceding Claims] Claim 1, characterised in that the article includes a light source.

12. (Amended) An elongate member according to [any one of the preceding claims] Claim 1, characterised in that the inner elongate portion is arranged to be mounted to a surface at the base position.